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Examiner:

A. Etienne

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Box Non-Fee Amendment Washington, D.C. 20231

November 7, 2001

Sir:

VOLUNTARY AMENDMENT

In accordance with the telephone conversation between the undersigned and the Examiner, the Office is respectfully requested to replace the set of 40 claims of record, with the set of 40 claims of record submitted herewith. As discussed with the Examiner, minor modifications have been made to Claims 1, 26 and 40, in order to clarify the scope of the claims. No other amendments to the Claims have been made.

Applicant also submits a second set of amended pages, namely pages 34, 41 and 43, designated as "Version with markings to show changes made" in which the amendments made have been highlighted and marked to show additions or deletions.

For clarity, the Applicant respectfully informs the Office a set of 40 claims is being submitted on even date herewith, as a response to a "Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 CFR 1.121) form. It is requested that that set of amendments be entered onto the record before consideration of this Voluntary Amendment.



Favourable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. Should any further amendment be required, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned by telephone at the number provided hereinbelow.

Respectfully submitted,

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